Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, Mark McKie has been involved in the automobile dealer business since the 1980s; and,

Whereas, Mark, with his partners, in January of 2000 purchased McKie Ford, Gold Key Olds-Cadillac-GMC dealerships and body shops, and Avis Rent-A-Car locations from his father and uncle; and,

Whereas, Mark has been able to expand the family business to its current 280 employees, leaving McKie Automotive Group as one of the largest employers in the Rapid City area; and,

Whereas, Mark has been active in his community, serving on numberous local boards such as the United Way, Black Hills Workshop, and the Rapid City Auto Dealers; and,

Whereas, Mark has been an active member, board member, past DEAC Chairman, and past President of the South Dakota Automobile Dealer's Association; and,

Whereas, *Time Magazine* annually honors one franchised dealer in each state with a Time Magazine Quality Dealer Award that is awarded to Mark McKie for the year of 2012:

Now, Therefore, I, Dennis Daugaard, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim February 24, 2012 as

MARK MCKIE DAY

in South Dakota, and I join his family, friends, and colleagues in wishing him good health and happiness.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Sixth Day of February in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Twelve.

Dennis Daugaard

Dennis Daugaard, Governor

Attest:

Jason Gant

Jason M. Gant, Secretary of State